CHAPTER NO. 959

HOUSE BILL NO. 3359

By Representatives Rinks, Pinion

Substituted for: Senate Bill No. 3347

By Senator Herron

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6-36-101; Section 6-36-103 and Section 6-36-106, to authorize expansion of the board of education of any city school system within any county having a population of not less than thirty-one thousand five hundred (31,500) nor more than thirty-one thousand eight hundred (31,800), according to the 1990 Federal Census or any subsequent Federal Census.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

- SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6-36-101(a), is amended by designating the current language as subdivision "(1)" and by adding the following new language, to be designated as subdivision "(2)":
 - (2) By ordinance adopted by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the entire membership of the city council, the board of education may be increased to seven (7) qualified voters of the city, meeting the requirements of §§ 6-31-105 and 6-31-112 of this charter. The two (2) additional board members authorized by this subdivision shall be elected at-large and shall be voted on by the electors in all voting precincts of the city. The provisions of this subdivision shall only apply within counties having a population of not less than thirty-one thousand five hundred (31,500) nor more than thirty-one thousand eight hundred (31,800), according to the 1990 Federal Census or any subsequent Federal Census.
- SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6-36-103, is amended by inserting the following language as a new subsection immediately after subsection (b) and by redesignating the subsequent subsection accordingly:
 - (_) For any board of education increased to seven (7) members pursuant to § 6-36-101(a)(2), the initial election of the additional two (2) members shall be held at the first November general election occurring more than forty-five (45) days following adoption of the ordinance required to expand board membership. To ensure staggered terms, the at-large candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be declared elected for a four-year term beginning at twelve o'clock noon (12:00) on the second Wednesday next following the election; and the at-large candidate receiving the second highest number of votes shall be declared elected for a two-year term beginning at the same date and time.
- SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6-36-106, is amended by deleting subsection (b) and by substituting instead the following:
 - (b) A majority of the board constitutes a quorum and the affirmative vote of at least three (3) members shall be required to approve any action; however, if the board duly consists of seven (7) members, then an affirmative vote of at least four (4) members shall be required to approve any action.
- SECTION 4. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: June 9, 2000

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

> JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 23rd day of June 2000

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